

CATHOLIC SYNOD IN BROOKLYN

Bishop McDonnell Confers in Secret with the Clergymen of the Diocese.

Bishop McDonnell presided yesterday at a synod of the Catholic clergymen of the Brooklyn diocese at the Church of St. John the Baptist in Willoughby avenue. There were present about 300 priests. Preceding the convening of the synod, from which all laymen were excluded, mass was celebrated by Signor Namara. It is understood that the business of the synod will mainly consist of the consideration of the passing away of the century next year.

Railroad Watchman Killed by a Train.

The body of Thomas Blockewer, a watchman, who had been employed fifteen years by the Erie Railroad, was found yesterday morning on the tracks near the 10th street station entrance to the tunnel. Blockewer evidently had been struck by a train. He was 60